Letter written by soldier Colin, fallen on the field of honor, 2 June 1918

Source: La derniere lettre écrite par des soldats français tombés au champ d'honneur 1914-1918

My beloved parents,

If this letter falls into your hands, it's that Eloi, your son, is no longer. If this bad thing happens, then don't cry over me because I have only done my simple duty and what I really wanted to do for which I have caused you so much trouble. The only thing that I ask is that you forgive me the pain that I caused in wanting to volunteer.

Bless and pray for me.

I'm stopping, because these lines will break your heart. Courage, victory is ours, and long live our dear country.

My last kisses to all of you who I so love. Good bye and long live France.

Colin